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Summary of FY 2009 Defense Appropriations

Washington, DC....The Defense Appropriations bill provides the resources needed to strengthen our nation's military and intelligence capabilities, and to provide for the care and support that our men and women in uniform and their families deserve.

The bill strengthens America's military capabilities by providing for cutting-edge weapons and equipment and first-class training. The legislation also makes a priority of enhancing U.S. intelligence capabilities, adding \$750 million to fund high priority intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance initiatives.

The legislation supports America's military personnel and their families by bolstering health care and military housing. The legislation provides \$1 billion above the President's request for Defense Health Programs, including increased funding for traumatic brain injury and orthopedic research, and substantially increases funding for repairing and improving military barracks and hospitals. In addition, the legislation provides \$72 million for stop loss bonuses for service members currently deployed in a stop loss status

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The bill:

- Provides \$487.7 billion in new discretionary spending authority for the Department of Defense
- Provides an additional \$750 million to fund high priority intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance initiatives
- Provides \$72 million for stop loss bonuses for service members currently deployed in a stop loss status

Title I – Military Personnel: \$114.4 billion

- Funds an active duty end strength of 1,368,471 and a reserve component end strength of 838,056
- Supports requested end strength increases of 7,000 for the Army, 5,000 for the Marine Corps, and 1,300 for the Army Guard
- Supports requested end strength reductions of 3,798 for the Navy, 1,100 for the Navy Reserve, and 100 for the Air Force Reserve.
- Supports an additional 171 personnel for the Air Force to continue B-52 operations and an additional 56 personnel for the Air National Guard to enhance training and readiness missions
- Realigns funding within the Air Force appropriation to support the early cessation of the personnel drawdown and eventual growth to 330,000 end strength
- Provides funding for increased full time support levels (AGRs) for Army Reserve and Army Guard

Title II – Operation and Maintenance: \$152.9 billion

- Fully funds key readiness programs critical to prepare forces for combat operations and other peace time missions: OPTEMPO flying hours and steaming days, depot maintenance, training, spare parts, and base operations
- Provides an additional \$100 million for Family Advocacy Programs

- Provides an additional \$493.5 million for sustainment, restoration, and modernization of barracks

Title III – Procurement:

\$101.1 billion

Aircraft

- Fully funds seven Joint Cargo Aircraft for the Army
- Provides \$241.7 million for Armed Reconnaissance Helicopters
- Provides an additional \$42 million for high-priority life extension activities for the Kiowa Warrior
- Fully funds the Army's multiyear contract for 19 new build CH-47 Chinook helicopters
- Provides the requested number of UH-60 Black Hawk and adds 8 UH-72 Lakota Light Utility Helicopters
- Extends for an additional year a restriction on the transfer of authority from the Army over certain tactical unmanned aerial vehicles, and requires certification of cost savings before merging the Predator and Sky Warrior UAV programs
- Funds 23 F/A-18E/F and 22 EA-18G aircraft
- Fully funds the V-22 program
- Defers 2 UH-1Y aircraft due to production delays
- Funds procurement of 2 E-2D aircraft, a deferral of 1 aircraft
- Funds the MH-60S and MH-60R helicopter programs
- Provides advance procurement funds for 20 F-22A aircraft
- Funds 14 F-35 Joint Strike Fighter aircraft, deferring 2 aircraft, and funds advance procurement for 27 F-35 aircraft in FY 2010
- Fully funds 38 Predator Unmanned Air Vehicles for the Air Force
- Fully funds 5 Global Hawk Unmanned Air Vehicles
- Funds procurement of 4 MC-130J and 2 KC-130J aircraft
- Funds procurement of 1 C-37 and 1 C-40 aircraft
- Provides additional funds for reliability enhancements for the E-2C and the Presidential helicopter fleet

Weapons/Missiles

- Fully funds the Patriot PAC-3 Purefleet program
- Fully funds Tomahawk procurement
- Fully funds Joint Direct Attack Munitions procurement
- Fully funds Javelin procurement

Shipbuilding

- Supports split funding of \$1.5 billion for one DDG-1000 Zumwalt class destroyer
- Adds \$100 million for the Littoral Combat Ship (LCS)
- Adds \$79 million for the Virginia Class submarine program
- Funds \$178 million for advance procurement of one LHA(R)
- Adds \$200 million for advance procurement of one DDG-51 class ship
- Adds \$933 million in split funding for LPD-26
- Defers one of two Littoral Combat Ship Mission Module funding due to shipbuilding delays
- Defers the refurbishment of CG-55 under the cruiser modernization program

Vehicles/Force Protection

- Supports the Army's Family of Heavy Tactical Vehicles Program
- Reduces funding for the Family of Medium Tactical Vehicles due to FY 2008 Supplemental funding
- Fully funds the Bradley Fighting Vehicle modification program
- Eliminates funding for Bradley Base Sustainment due to already appropriated FY 2009 supplemental funding
- Fully funds the Abrams Tank Upgrade program

Other

- Fully funds the restructured Future Combat System (FCS) program
- Adds \$750 million for National Guard and Reserve equipment
- Increases funding for training range readiness initiatives across the services

- Provides \$150 million for advance procurement of an additional Advanced Extremely High Frequency communications satellite

Title IV – Research, Development, Test and Evaluation: \$80.5 billion

Aircraft

- Fully funds Armed Reconnaissance Helicopter (ARH) program research and development
- Fully funds the Aerial Common Sensor (ACS) program
- Fully funds Increment 1 of the VH-71 Presidential Helicopter and provides \$100 million for Increment 2
- Fully funds the Joint Strike Fighter, Multi-Mission Maritime Aircraft, CH-53K, and Navy Unmanned Combat Aerial Vehicle
- Reduces the Navy Broad Area Maritime Surveillance program by \$48 million due to program delays
- Adds \$430 million to continue developing a second source for JSF aircraft engines
- Provides \$607 million for F-22 modernization initiatives
- Provides \$17 million for the Air Force Joint Cargo Aircraft
- Provides over \$38 million for the tanker replacement program for program office operations, termination costs, and anticipated claims from the offerors. In addition, \$62.5 million was provided in Operation and Maintenance, Air Force for modest upgrades to ensure continued reliability of the fleet.

Shipbuilding

- Reduces development funding for CG(X) by \$121 million due to delay in analysis of alternatives

Missile Defense

- Provides an additional \$120 million for MDA's near-term programs -- Ground-based Missile Defense, Aegis Ballistic Missile Defense, and Theater High Altitude Area Defense

- Reduces funding for farther-term missile defense programs such as Space Tracking and Surveillance System, Airborne Laser, and Multiple Kill Vehicle
- Adds \$58 million for the U.S.-Israeli Cooperative Missile Defense Programs, Upper-tier and Short Range Ballistic Missile Defense
- Provides \$467 million for the European Missile Defense sites and development and testing of the two-stage interceptor
- Provides no funding for the Space Test Bed

Other

- Fully funds Joint-Air-to-Ground-Missile (JAGM) research and development
- Provides no funds for the Reliable Replacement Warhead
- Fully funds the Joint Tactical Radio Systems Program
- Reduces the Marine Corps Expeditionary Fighting Vehicle program by \$60 million
- Increases funding for service-directed alternative energy research for military applications
- Fully funds Joint Light Tactical Vehicle (JLTV) research and development
- Fully funds the restructured Future Combat System (FCS) program
- Fully funds Excalibur research and development program
- Provides \$40 million for the Wideband Global Satellite

Title V – Revolving and Management Funds

\$3.1 billion

Title VI – Other Department of Defense Programs:

Defense Health Programs

\$25.8 billion

- Provides \$1 billion above the President's budget request
- Provides \$150 million for the Breast Cancer Research Program
- Provides \$80 million for the Prostate Cancer Research Program
- Provides \$20 million for the Ovarian Cancer Research Program
- Provides \$50 million for a medical research fund
- Provides \$300 million for a Peer Reviewed Psychological Health and Traumatic Brain Injury Research Program

- Provides \$40 million for Centers of Excellence at Walter Reed Medical Center in Breast Care, Gynecologic, Prostate, Pain and Neuroscience, and Integrated Cardiac Health
- Provides \$61 million peer-reviewed orthopedic research
- Provides \$20 million for peer-reviewed lung cancer research
- Provides \$16 million for peer-reviewed cancer research
- Provides \$35 million for spinal cord injury research
- Provides \$240 million for facilities, sustainment, restoration, and modernization

Chemical Agents and Munitions Destruction \$1.51 billion

- Provides \$20 million above the amended President's budget request for chemical destruction activities at the Blue Grass Chemical Agent Destruction Pilot Plant

Drug Interdiction and Counter-Drug Activities \$1.1 billion

- Provides \$36 million above the President's budget request
- Adds \$22.5 million for the National Guard State Counter-Drug support programs

Office of the Inspector General \$271.8 million

- Provides an additional \$24 million to accelerate the growth of the Office of the Inspector General in order to keep pace with the growth in the size of the defense budget and the number of defense contracts